A busy term comes to an end

As Term 1 comes to a close, we thank the students, staff and parents for a wonderful start to 2015. Students have been working hard for the ten weeks and have made some great progress through the Literacy and Numeracy Continuums. We thank all parents who have been involved in the learning of their children through our Learning Support Meetings, and look forward on reporting on student goals throughout the year. A huge thank you to our teachers this term, who have been busily implementing a range of new programs and initiatives, giving up large parts of their own time to make these effective for students.

As we head into Term 2, we hope everyone has a fantastic break, and return safe, refreshed and ready to learn on Tuesday 21st April.

Zone Cross Country

Sixteen of our students will head to Cessnock Racecourse on Thursday 23rd April (Week 1). The event will start at 9.30am, with ages 8-10 running the 2km Course, and ages 11-13 running a whopping 3km. Congratulations to the following students on qualifying for this event.

Jessica       Bethany       Katelyn       Makayla       Mason       Tane
Hunter        Trent         Thomas        Jack          Jorja        Dylan
Jacob D       Erin          Cloe          Luke          Drew

Celebrating 100 years of ANZAC

2015 sees the 100th Anniversary of the ANZAC landing at Gallipoli. Students will be involved in commemorations during Week 1, Term 2.

A school ANZAC ceremony will be held on Friday 24th April. This will run from 2.20pm-3pm in place of our usual Friday assembly.

The Dawn Service will again be held at Millfield Public School, with attendees marching from St Luke’s Church at 5.15am to the school for the service run by the Salvation Army.

Students and staff will also have the opportunity to participate in the Cessnock March and Service, with the march starting at Peden’s hotel at 11am.
**Election BBQ Thankyou.**

A huge thankyou to Tamara and Lindsey Dooley, Debbie Billinghurst, Teresa Butler and Mel Singleton for manning the BBQ at the election on Saturday. This raised over $250 for our students. Well done. Thanks also to everyone who supported by buying a sandwich or drink on the day.

**School Security over the holidays**

School Holidays are often a prime time for vandalism and theft in schools. If you notice or hear of any suspicious behaviour, please call Cessnock Police or the School Security Unit. Please encourage your children not to enter the school during the holidays, as there is no-one here to maintain a safe environment. It also may put them at the forefront of blame if any unwanted visitors do cause issues.

**Please report any suspicious behaviour to the:**

**School Security Hotline - 1300 880 021** or Cessnock Police - 49910199

**P&C News**

The P&C will be selling entertainment books this year. Books are $60 and contain a wide range of food, accommodation, entertainment and local attraction vouchers. There are plenty of ways to use it in our area and money can be made back with as little as 1 or 2 uses. Vouchers are valid until 30th June 2016. Digital editions for use with your smartphone are also available. Contact the office for orders or more information.

**Pre-orders before the 29th April will receive an extra $200 worth of vouchers.**

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

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**Cessnock Basketball Holiday Camp**

**Who:** Primary School aged students (K-6) of all abilities

**Date:** Wednesday and Thursday, April 1 & 2 2015

**Time:** 9am-3pm (9:30 Registration)

**Where:** Cessnock Civic Indoor Sports Centre (Mountain View Road)

**Cost:** $80 for one day, or $150 for both days (Morning Tea and Lunch provided both days)

**Entries close April 8, 2015**

**For further information contact Sophie on 49911656**

Don’t miss out on this fantastic opportunity to be coached by U.S. college stars Sophie Kleiman, Justin Hamilton and Jordan Raffey!